

SANGAMON COUNTY LEPC
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AGENDA

April 3, 2003
8:30 AM
Office of the State Fire Marshal
1035 Stevenson Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

Meeting called to order by David Butt, Chairman

Acceptance of minutes from last meeting (02/06/2003)

Recognition of LEPC members and visitors

Old Business

Follow-up on CWLP Facilities Questionnaire

HazMat exercise at CWLP

Anhydrous Ammonia safety video

Report on Tier II Filings

89 Received thus far

Other

New Business

FEMA Planning Grant

Rockford Conference, May 7-9

Notifications, incidents and other filings since last meeting

Other

Next meeting: June 5, 2003

Motion to adjourn

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Minutes of the Sangamon County LEPC Meeting - April 3, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. at the Office of the State Fire Marshal, 1035 Stevenson Drive by David Butt, Chairman. Members present were: P.J. Becker, CWLP; John Brennan, Memorial Medical Center; David Butt, Sangamon County ESDA; Brian Churchill, St. John's Hospital; Ray Cooke, Springfield Department of Public Health; Dave Farris, CWLP; Tom Fraase, Sangamon County Board; Glen Gardner, Mid-West Family Broadcasting; Matt Helms, Springfield Fire Department (Retired); Bryon Honea, Illiopolis Police Department; Bill Russell, Sangamon County Rescue Squad; Anu Singh, Kincaid Generation; Kevin Switzer, Springfield Fire Department

Jeff Bassett, Tom Cunningham and John Kulek, Springfield Fire Department, and Anne Doorman, Illinois Emergency Management Agency, were visitors.

Old Business

CWLP showed a safety video regarding storage of Anhydrous Ammonia at its power plant. Anhydrous Ammonia is used in the Selective Catalytic Reduction scrubber which will start operation by June.

The Springfield Fire Department described an upcoming Hazardous Materials training drill to be held in June and offered invitations to LEPC members to attend the drill.

David Butt described an Airport Tabletop Exercise scheduled for April 29, 2003, at Capital Airport. It is being designed by Lt. Tim Capelli of Springfield Airport Authority.

To date, we have 89 Tier II reports filed. Only one Tier II report is missing. Some individual reports were noted.

New Business

David Butt discussed a possible FEMA grant for more than \$21,000.00 to plan for Weapons of Mass Destruction and Biohazardous Situations. The grant should help to find a person to write a new plan annex which will be useful for future hazardous materials planning.

The Winnebago County LEPC Conference of May 7-9, in Rockford was discussed.

No releases were reported.

A copy of the Central Illinois and Midland Railroad Response Guide was circulated.

Glen Gardner inquired about the severe weather event in March that did not activate the EAS System. The Chair explained that Sangamon County does not have an EAS encoder. The National Weather Service and IEMA can activate EAS. When NWS issues tornado watches or tornado warnings they do so using EAS. Concerns about the inability of the County to activate the system in an emergency were expressed. The planning grant discussed earlier may help us determine our alerting shortcomings and whether we can depend on NWS and IEMA to help us in this area.

There being no further business, Kevin Switzer made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Matt Helms and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 am.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2003, at 8:30 a.m.